

Santa Rosa County Building Inspection Department



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CENSUS 2000 IS HERE!!!! Between March 15 and April 1, 2000 you should receive your **Census 2000** form to be filled out. **THE COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE OF SANTA ROSA COUNTY** is asking all business and community leaders to help pass the word on the importance of all citizens to fill out and return their **CENSUS** forms. An accurate growth count in Santa Rosa County will assure that we have proper representation in the U.S. House of Representatives and higher levels of Federal and State funding. The importance of filling out this form and returning it **CANNOT** be over emphasized.

The information you put on these forms is vital for the growth of Florida, and specifically Santa Rosa County. This information is held confidential for 72 years. We have been tracking census since 1790 --- see how far we've come.

So, citizens of FLORIDA, STAND UP AND BE COUNTED. FILL OUT AND RETURN YOUR **CENSUS FORM**.

If you have any questions or you do not receive a **CENSUS FORM**, please call 623-0166 ext. 231 for assistance.

New Elevation Certificates: Please be aware that we are **no longer** accepting the "old style" elevation certificates. We have been notified that we will lose points on our CRS rating, if we accept the "old style form". The new elevation certificate can be downloaded from the FEMA web site, www.fema.gov or obtained from our office.

Elevation Certificates are now required to be in our office prior to any rough inspections. In accordance with section 10.02.02(E) of the Land Development Code the permit holder has 21 days from the establishment of the lowest floor to furnish an elevation certificate to our office. Any work done within that 21-day period is at the permit holder's risk. **Only original signed and sealed elevation certificates will be accepted. No copies or faxes.**

All construction plans need to show the placement of and location of Electrical and Mechanical equipment. Electrical, plumbing and other utility connections are **prohibited** below the base flood elevation. This equipment also needs to be shown on the elevation certificate. This means that the equipment pad must be in place before any rough inspections can be done.

All Permit Applications are now available on the Santa Rosa County web site, at www.co.santa-rosa.fl.us. These forms can now be downloaded whenever you need them!

Registered to Certified: We now have the applications and processing information regarding upgrading from Registered to Certified Status. These forms are available in our office.

Workman's Compensation Exemption applications have changed. If you have not updated your Workman's compensation exemption, the new forms are available in our office. ****NOTE:** Your former exemption expired in your birth month in 1999.

Changes: Approved plans **must match** what has been constructed on the job site. If the construction and the plans do not coincide with one another, then there are two options. **Either** have the plans revised to match the construction and submit the revisions to our office for plan review **or** remove the non-complying construction and rebuild it. The documents in our office must match the construction plans and the building being built.

Termites: In addition to soil treatment, we are now accepting **Borate®** Treatment for termites. Since there are now two approved methods of treatment for termites a letter stating the intended method to be used is required to be submitted prior to permit issuance. Your plans must also state the intended type of treatment method to be used. Upon completion of the treatment and before a framing inspection can be done, a letter from the pest control company stating the method of termite treatment used must be received in our office.